



LANGLEY RESEARCH CENTER

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DATE: August 1, 1989

TO:

All Employees

FROM:

429/Safety Manager, Head, Safety Engineering Branch,

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SUBJECT: Center-wide Asbestos Survey

We have retained TC Consultants, Inc., to update the LaRC Asbestos Survey. The survey will be detailed and comprehensive and will include an inspection of all LaRC buildings. The survey team will incorporate new procedures required under the Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act. We will use the results of the survey to develop a comprehensive Center-wide operations and maintenance program for asbestos containing materials (ACM).

Currently the team is making an initial evaluation by visiting all Center buildings, collecting construction data and determining building locations that will have to be sampled for the presence of ACM.

After the initial investigation is complete, the team will collect numerous samples of possible asbestos-containing materials for analysis. Personnel collecting the samples will exercise caution so that building occupants will not be exposed to asbestos. In some cases, the personnel may wear protective equipment during sampling (e.g. respirators). No employees will be exposed to asbestos as a result of the sampling procedures.

We have directed the survey team to contact the Facility Coordinators prior to each building's inspection. We do not expect the Coordinator's to accompany the survey team during the inspection, but they may do so, if they like.

If you need additional information or have questions please contact Industrial Hygiene, Bob Brown or Roger Johnson, at 43205 or the Safety and Environmental Management Section, John Lee, at 43342.

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